

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF DRAFT REPORT, PUBLIC WORKSHOP, AND PUBLIC
COMMENT PERIOD**

**HEALTH ADVISORY: GUIDELINES FOR CONSUMPTION OF FISH AND
SHELLFISH FROM TOMALES BAY (MARIN COUNTY)**

The California Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) announces the availability of the draft report entitled "Health Advisory: Guidelines For Consumption of Fish and Shellfish From Tomales Bay (Marin County)." The report contains an evaluation of findings on mercury in fish and shellfish from Tomales Bay, and provides health guidelines for consumption of fish and shellfish from this water body. OEHHA is soliciting comments from interested parties on the draft report and advisory during a 30-day public comment period from May 7 through June 9, 2004. A public workshop to present the report and receive comments will be held on May 17, 2004, at the Dance Palace, 503 B Street, Point Reyes Station. The workshop will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will last until all business is concluded or 8:30 p.m. Written comments can also be sent directly to OEHHA until June 9, 2004. Comments may be submitted at any time until the close of the comment period.

Comments on the draft report may be submitted by phone, fax, or e-mail to Dr. Margy Gassel. All comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on June 9, 2004. OEHHA will consider comments received by this time and revise the draft report and advisory as appropriate to issue a final report and advisory.

If you would like to submit comments, receive further information on this announcement, or have questions, please contact Dr. Margy Gassel using the information provided below.

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